

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 1288 - SB 1390**

April 2, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) to collect fines, costs and litigation taxes that are owed to counties and municipalities for more than two years if the county or municipality is not pursuing debt collections. Requires that 50 percent of any amount collected by the AOC be deposited in the Criminal Injuries Compensation (CIC) Fund and 50 percent be deposited in the District Public Defenders Indigent Defense Fund. Authorizes the court at the request of a defendant to order community service rather than imposing a fine.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**State Revenue – Net Impact – Not Significant/CIC Fund**  
**State Revenue – Net Impact – Not Significant/District Public**  
**Defenders Indigent Defense Fund**  
**Increase State Expenditures - \$132,500**

**Assumptions:**

- According to the AOC, two additional staff positions would be required at a recurring cost of \$132,480 reflecting salaries for an attorney and an assistant (\$96,000) plus benefits (\$36,480) to begin collection procedures.
- Any increase in revenue as a result of collection efforts by the AOC will be offset by any reductions in revenue as a result of the court ordering community service rather than a fine.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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